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RE OURTEL 893 DEPT, 791 BONN, 635 PARIS; OURTEL 894 DEPT,
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Now that I have received Norstad's recommendations I would like to point out that I do not agree with his premises nor do I believe that reciprocity in the showing of identification cards would serve any useful purpose now. To my mind we are in a stronger position stopping our civilians in the face of Soviet show of force than we would be to submit identification cards to Vopos, particularly as the Soviet representatives have always indicated their willingness to show identification cards. Somehow I had interpreted the recommendation as involving bringing in West German police not West Berlin police to do the checking at Friedrich Strasse, and this I believe would be a major step forward. I would like to point out that we have tripartite agreement now to demand identification from Soviet civilians entering West Berlin, this check to be made at all entrances including Friedrich Strasse by West Berlin police, and is to go into effect within the next day or two.

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